

ABSTRACT

A system (**50, 150**) for assisting a user (**14**) to determine whether an email (**18**) comes from a purported originator (**16**). A computerized system having a display unit is provided. Logic (**54**) in the computerized system determines whether the email (**18**) includes an authenticity mark (**52**) including an originator identifier (**102**) and encrypted data (**104**). Logic (**54**) in the computerized system then decrypts the encrypted data (**104**) into decrypted data (**108-14**), based on the originator identifier (**102**). Logic (**54**) in the computerized system then presents to the user (**14**), on the display, whether the email (**18**) includes the authenticity mark (**52**), whether the encrypted data (**104**) decrypts successfully, and information based on the authenticity mark (**52**) and the decrypted data (**108-14**).